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IN RE APPLICATION OF :

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FOR: METHOD FOR FORMING FILM, METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE, SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND SUBSTRATE TREATMENT SYSTEM

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated January 5, 2009, Applicants elect, without traverse, Group I corresponding to Claims 1-9, 10-12, and 14-15. Applicants make this election based on the understanding that Applicants are not prejudiced against filing one or more divisional applications that cover the non-elected claims.

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request an early and favorable action on Claims 1-9, 10-12, and 14-15.

Respectfully submitted,

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